

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 2-21, 23-30, and 32-39 were pending in this application. Claims 23-30 and 32-39 are allowed. Claims 2-21 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Therefore, only allowed claims 23-30 and 32-39 are pending. Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance and notice to such effect is earnestly solicited.

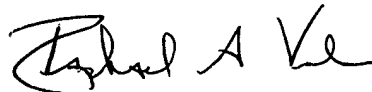
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If it is believed that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney to expedite the prosecution of the application.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicants petition for an appropriate extension of time. Please charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-2036 with reference to Attorney Docket No. 87288.1500.

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